

FIENDISH ATTEMPT AT TRAIN WRECKING NEAR CHARLOTTETOWN

EIGHT MEN KILLED FIFTEEN INJURED SPECIAL TRAIN RUNS INTO SWITCH DELIBERATELY OPENED BY MISCREANT

And Several Others Missing By Collapse of Railway Bridge.

(Canadian Press)
HUNTINGTON, Jan. 1.—Eight men were killed and 15 injured when a freight train on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway went through a bridge over Guyanote River, 3 miles from here.

The known dead are Engineer E.S. Webber, Ernest Wood, Chas. Madry, John O'Connor. Four more iron workers are missing.

Thirty or more iron workers were employed repairing the bridge when the train appeared. Some, believing the structure to have been weakened, left their posts, others laughed at the danger and were carried down with the wreckage when the bridge collapsed under the weight of the train.

The fireman and engineer refused to cross the bridge and witnessed the accident.

The false work placed under the bridge while repairs were being made were believed safe but the river had risen during the night and weakened the false work which collapsed, allowing the bridge to go down. Of the iron workers thrown into the water, some were drowned and others swam ashore.

MINIATURE HURRICANES.

HALIFAX, Dec. 31.—Forty-eight miles an hour was the speed in which a severe westerly gale was sweeping over Halifax and vicinity between eleven and twelve o'clock last evening. The rain drizzled towards the latter part of the afternoon the fall became greater as the storm increased. In the evening a heavy rain advanced the heavy storm yielding a torrent of water drenching the pedestrians whose misfortune it was to be on the street in the late hours. In the harbor the seas were wind-whipped into great fury and several small craft dragged their anchors some distance. Without the harbor the surf was quite violent rendering it dangerous for either steam or sailing vessels happening to be running along the coast under the prevailing weather conditions.

THE S. P. WILLIAMS WAS DRIVEN ASHORE

LOUISBURG, Dec. 29.—The American schooner S. P. Williams, Captain Burton, during the heavy storm yesterday morning ran ashore on Winding Point Beach, Gaspere, below where the schooner John Harvey ran ashore last January. Captain Burton lost his forestay during the night in fourteen fathoms of water and cut his spare to try and save the vessel, but she kept dragging until they got into three fathoms of water and then had to slip her chains and drifted over the breakers onto Winding Point Beach. All the crew, after much difficulty, succeeded in landing safely. The vessel now lies completely out of water at low tide. She had a cargo of 1,400 barrels of herring, mostly in the hold. Part of the cargo could be saved. The captain says he left Newfoundland in company with three other schooners and feels very uneasy about their safety.

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EVACUATION OF CRETE HAS BEGUN

(Canadian Press)
CANEA, Jan. 1.—The first move toward the evacuation of Crete by the protecting powers, Britain, Russia, France, and Italy occurred today when the French guardship Bruix left taking stores from the French depot.

HALIFAX BOY IN BAD AFFAIR

(Special to The Guardian.)
HALIFAX, Jan. 1.—A New Year's escapade of John Little, Junior clerk of the Canadian Express Co., is likely to prove bad for him.

The boy knew a thousand-dollar package of bills was put in the safe last evening. Early this morning he entered the office, opened the safe, took the money and this morning left for Truro with the funds but on the way changed his mind and came back to Halifax and put the money behind the safe.

As soon as the money was missed an investigation followed and little confessed. He says he did not know what he was doing. The matter comes up before the Magistrate tomorrow.

THE OPIUM TRADE.

PEKIN, Dec. 30.—It is understood that Great Britain will terminate the opium agreement of 1911 unless speedy steps are taken to place the opium trade in China in a more satisfactory position.

RUMOR ABOUT SCUTARA

LOGDON, Dec. 31.—The Times publishes the following despatch from Belgrade: "It is reported that a ministry of war has received a telegram stating that Scutara had fallen to a Servian attack."

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Lock Broken and Switch Opened—Engine and Baggage Car Ditched and Overturned. Driver and Fireman Had Close Call, No One Killed.

The Minto Special, which left Charlottetown at 9 a. m. yesterday morning for Summerside, ran into an open switch at the Oil Tank Crossing detouring the engine, baggage car and a second-class car, the engine and baggage car being turned over. The passenger coaches remained on the track. Fortunately and as by a miracle no one was seriously hurt.

The train, in charge of Conductor Peter McGarry, with Driver Patrick Dorsey and Fireman Fenton Higgins in the engine, was bowling along at a rapidly increasing pace when, on nearing the scene of the accident, the driver discovered that the switch was open. It was too late to pull up and the engine crashed on to the sleepers, bumping along about three car lengths, and toppled over. Driver Dorsey had his foot caught between the cab and the engine but, owing to the fact that it was a Wel-

lington and unlaced, he was able to pull his foot out and so escaped injury and possibly death. As it was he was thrown a considerable distance and escaped without a scratch. Fireman Higgins also managed to jump clear as the engine went over.

In the baggage car, which followed the engine into the ditch, the only occupant was Baggage Master Burns and he fortunately escaped with a few bruises. The passengers in the second class car, which left the rails but remained upright, were shaken somewhat but no one was hurt.

On examination it was discovered that the accident was the result of a crime, a deliberate and fiendish crime, the switch lock having been broken and the switch thrown wide open. As to what suspicions there are or the clues to be worked out

the authorities are, very properly, reticent. In the interests of humanity it is sincerely hoped that no stone will be left unturned and no expense spared to bring to justice the perpetrator or perpetrators guilty of this deliberate attempt at trainwrecking which could easily have resulted in death or serious injury to many.

The mails and passengers thus unfortunately detained, among whom was a member of the Guardian writing staff, were forwarded by the regular 9.15 train and arrived in Summerside in time to connect with the Minto which was held until her arrival.

The engine of the wrecked train was badly damaged and will be taken back to the yards as soon as possible. The baggage car was also badly smashed and the track considerably torn up.

PEACE PROSPECTS LOOK BRIGHTER

(Canadian Press)
LONDON, Jan. 1.—The peace conference between the delegates of the Balkan allies and the Turkish empire settled down to real business this afternoon in spite of the temporary hitch caused by Michael Madjaroff, one of the Bulgarian delegates departing in indignation from the meeting with the declared intention of informing the British Foreign Office that the war would be resumed by the allies.

The Turkish envoys, when the conference gathered again later, presented in writing new proposals which are a great advance on their first offer. They now express themselves ready to cede absolutely Macedonia and Epirus with Salonika and as being ready to discuss the question of the fortress of Adrianople and the future boundary between Turkey and Bulgaria in the province of Thrace.

The conference lasted three hours and a half and the delegates then adjourned until Friday.

NINE KILLED BY BOILER EXPLOSION.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 30.—At Hamlet, N. C., this afternoon, a boiler in the Seaboard shops exploded and nine men were killed.

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DUKE'S LEVEE A GREAT SUCCESS

(Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Jan. 1.—New Year's Levee by the Duke of Connaught, today, was attended by a brilliant throng including dignitaries of church and state. The attendance was larger than for some years. The function proved highly enjoyable.

SPORTING NEWS

(Canadian Press)
VERNON, Jan. 1.—Al Plazer and Luther McCarthy aspirants for the heavy-weight championship of the world fought here this afternoon. McCarthy won, knocking out his opponent in the eighteenth round.

PROPOSED PORT AT GASPE BAY

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—Promoters of the Canada and Gulf terminal railway claim to have discovered a means of saving poles for shipment at the Canadian seaboard traffic originating on the National Transcontinental Railway. The solution offered is the building of a new port at Gaspé Bay, to be connected with the Intercolonial and the National Transcontinental Railways by the new Canada and Gulf project. The map shows the new line constructed from St. Flavie, on the I. C. R. to Matane with projected extensions east to Gaspé and west to the Transcontinental at St. Eustache.

The argument is made that present Canadian Atlantic ports cannot compete with United States ports which are especially low. It is suggested that the operation of the Intercolonial could be extended via the Quebec bridge to Winnipeg, with the proposed new outlet at Gaspé, providing a short all red route between Winnipeg and Liverpool. This, it is claimed, would allow as low rates as can be obtained to United States ports and would mean a saving of thirty hours on mails and fast freight. Gaspé is described as the finest natural harbor on the Atlantic seaboard.

THE WEATHER

THE TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

(Special to The Guardian.)
TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 2.—Fresh westerly winds, fair, not much change in temperature.

The temperature at three o'clock this morning by the Rexall Store Tested Thermometer with a northern exposure was thirty-three degrees above zero and with a southern exposure was thirty-five above.

The lowest temperature recorded yesterday was thirty-five degrees above zero and the highest was thirty-six degrees above. The lowest recorded the previous night was twenty-nine above. At nine a. m. yesterday it was thirty-five above and at nine p. m. it was thirty-five above.

The tide will be high tonight at 6.18 and tomorrow at 7.06; it will be high tomorrow morning at 7.42 and Saturday at 8.45.

The sun sets this afternoon at 4.37 and tomorrow at 4.28; it rises tomorrow morning and Saturday at 7.42.

The moon sets this afternoon at 12.44.

The last quarter of the moon was on Monday, Dec. 30, at 4.15 p. m. There will be a new moon on Tuesday, January 7, at 6.28 a. m.

The length of today will be eight hours and forty-six minutes.

(From Tuesday's Evening Guardian)
This morning by Rexall Store Tested Thermometer with a northern exposure was forty-five degrees above zero and with a southern exposure was forty-seven above.

POULTRY EXHIBIT AT CH'TOWN

The Exhibition held under the auspices of the Prince Edward Island Poultry Association was formally opened by His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Rogers at 3.30 Tuesday afternoon. His Worship Mayor Lyons occupied the chair and in a few brief introductory remarks pointed out the value to be held and placed considerable emphasis on the proportions to which the industry had already attained in the province.

His Honor Governor Rogers in declaring the Exhibition open to the public called attention to the excellence of the poultry during the exhibition and in referring to the rapid strides made by the poultry industry during the past few years laid special emphasis on the growing development of the goose industry which, he declared, bids fair to take a high rank in the various branches of poultry culture.

His Honor referred to the introduction of the wild goose in breeding both as regards size and quality.

P. A. Benson, Dominion Poultry expert, next spoke. He pointed out the (Continued on page seven.)

COAL MINING.

MONTREAL, Dec. 31.—The coal production of Nova Scotia for 1912 shows an increase of 600,000 tons over 1911, according to Alex. Dick, Co. The total this year was 6,731,907 tons. The Dominion Coal Co. raised most, 4,312,320 tons, an increase of 320,000 tons.

17-YEAR-OLD BOY TAKES HIS LIFE

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—A strange situation is revealed by the unusual suicide of a seventeen-year-old boy, Charles H. Durks, who shot himself in his room at No. 11 Marlboro street, Newton, in the presence of the police, who had been summoned to attend that very act. Durks died early Friday at the Newton Hospital, where he was taken immediately after the shooting.

Durks was the son of a wealthy fur trader, with a station at Unalaska, Alaska. He was sent here a year ago with his sister, Holly, to prepare for college. He was caught by the lure of the stock market, and his death is the result. The authorities are seeking the stock brokerage firm which accepted and executed his orders, illegal because of his age.

The few remaining hundred dollars of an inheritance of \$12,000 received from his mother, gone in a year or less, the boy became morose and despondent and had spoken of taking his life. His sister had heard him speak of it but knew of no reason for his being despondent and she tried to cheer him up and keep his mind from the idea of self destruction.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

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**Have you seen the latest in "Business Efficiency and Salesmanship"? You will find it only in the Charlottetown Business College. The very latest in business practice. 1-2M.

**The annual entertainment in connection with the Presbyterian Sunday School of Hunter River will be held in the hall on Friday, January 3rd, at 7 p. m. Admission 10c. 12-31RM.

**A meeting of the Stock Breeders' Association will be held in the Old Bank, Charlottetown, on Friday, January 3rd, at 2 p. m. All interested are requested to attend. Patriot and Examiner please copy.

SEVERE GALE IN VANCOUVER

Heaviest in Years—Thousands of Dollars Damage in City and Suburbs

(Canadian Press)
VANCOUVER, Jan. 1.—Sweeping over Vancouver district on Monday and Tuesday the stiffest gale known in many years wrought havoc in all parts of the city and suburbs, much minor damage being done, aggregating thousands of dollars.

The Westminister Bridge was blown down, power wires blown away, wharves and shipping were greatly damaged.

TERRIBLE LAND SLIDE.

FERNIE, B. C., December 30.—A heavy slide of snow came down at Coal Creek on the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Mining company's mine this morning at five minutes past seven, carrying with it the carpenter's shop in which twelve or thirteen men were working. Three bodies have been brought out and rescue parties are still working to recover others.

MARITIME PREMIERS OPTIMISTIC AS TO 1913.

TORONTO, Dec. 31.—The premiers of Canada, in messages to the Monetary Times for its annual number, are again unanimous in their optimistic views as to the future.

Nova Scotia, says Hon. G. H. Murray, has advanced steadily and substantially. The strength of the province lies in the abundance of diversity of its natural resources. What is needed more than anything else is to encourage a spirit of optimism that will encourage the introduction of new capital, the establishment of new industries and the infusion of new life.

Hon. J. A. Matheson says that the people of P. E. Island have special reason to look forward with hope and confidence in the coming year.

The construction of the car ferry and standardizing of the railway gauge will link the Island to the transportation systems of the mainland, reduce the cost of carriage and give a great impetus to every industry. Mr. Matheson thinks the prospects for 1913 the brightest in the history of the province.

New Brunswick's premier, Hon. J. K. Fleming, predicts that during the next few years a wonderful transformation will be wrought in the maritime provinces. More people are coming to New Brunswick, industries are increasing and expanding and agricultural and fruit lands are becoming better known. There has been a notable increase in real estate values throughout the province.

ANOTHER ARREST IN AMHERST BURGLARY CASE

AMHERST, N. S., Dec. 31.—Another arrest was made last night in connection with the burglary case here. The person arrested gave his name as White and is well known around the city. The gang was up for their preliminary examination and five of them were committed, namely, Legere, Lorette, Hutchins, White and Dupuis.

BUSINESS HAS NOTHING TO FEAR SAYS GOV. WILSON

STAUNTON, Va., Dec. 30.—Referring to possible changes in legislative policy Governor Wilson in a speech at his birthday banquet here said there was no reason for legitimately conducted business to fear anything from him. He added with a smile:

"I haven't got my gun out for anybody. Somebody might accidentally get in the way of the gun. The level of the gun is established and the range is well known. I shall feel that I am not responsible for accidents."

Good News For Subscribers

The Guardian Management has received a letter from the Canadian Countryman authorizing to continue the publishing until Dec 31st, 1912.

This is certainly good news as never in the history of newspaperdom in this Province, has the Guardian been able to offer such good value to its subscribers.

For \$2.50 subscribers will receive for one full year The Morning Guardian and The Canadian Countryman (a weekly farm magazine) together with that most beautiful premium picture of "King George V. in uniform."

From a letter received from The Canadian Countryman, we quote the following:

"Nothing should stop you now in reaching the 3,000 mark before Dec 31st. We are sure that this can be accomplished if you will keep up the enthusiasm with which the proposition has apparently been received so far.

We are eager to make The Canadian Countryman so interesting and so good that no intelligent farmer or any person interested in Agriculture will be without it.

Although The Countryman only commenced publication on Oct 12th, 1912, we have over 3,000 subscriptions to date. This is impossible to most people, particularly publishers of other farm papers. But it is not too much, because we started out with the intention of securing 50,000 circulation the first year and we are going to get it. The only reason other farm papers do not reach such a circulation is because they have never done after it in the right way. They seem to think they could not command the advertised price to pay for such an enormous circulation.

We think differently! We are allowing you to keep the offer open until December 31st, although we lose in a actual subscription receipts, but we figure that advertising will cover us deficit.

(SUBSCRIBERS' COMPLAINTS.) We feel that we owe you an explanation for non-delivery of the Canadian Countryman to a number of the subscribers you forwarded. Although our mailing system is one of the best, it has not been sufficiently efficient to handle the 20,000 subscriptions in three months, this being the number which we have procured and handled in that time. We are sure you will be lenient with us when you consider the enormity of work we have been obliged to take care of. Twenty thousand subscriptions in three months is a record which no other Magazine in Canada can boast of, and we believe we would be safe in saying, no other Magazine in America.

We are writing a letter of explanation to each of our subscribers who have complained. From this on hope to be able to give a better service. We realize you are entitled to the best service to have, as your campaign has certainly been successful and well directed.

Yours Truly,
The Canadian Countryman
The Canadian Countryman Pub. Co. Ltd.

P. S.—Subscribers wishing to take advantage of this extraordinary offer, are requested to have renewals and new subscriptions reach The Guardian office on or before Dec 31st. Prosperous New Year, a happy and successful one to all.
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